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REQUEST FOR CORRECTED PUBLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.221(b) DUE TO MATERIAL OFFICE MISTAKE

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Sir:

Applicants respectfully request a corrected publication of the above-listed application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.221(b) due to a material mistake made by the Office. In particular, the first page of the published application fails to list 11 applications to which the instant application claims benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) and § 120. The first page of the published application lists only U.S. App. No. 09/152,060 (i.e. under "Related U.S. Application Data").

The above mistake is apparent from Office records, as page 2 of the published application contains the correct list of 12 priority applications in its entirety. See, U.S. Patent Application Publication 2002/0077287 A1. Moreover, the mistake is material, as the missing priority data affects the use of the published application as prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e). In particular, without inclusion of all priority data together on the first page of the published application, an examiner or member of the public would be likely to mistakenly believe that this is the only application to which the present application claims priority. In fact, however, the present application claims priority to applications which, inter alia, were filed more than one year prior to the application solely listed as "Related U.S. Application Data." Hence in order to properly assess priority (e.g. for § 102(e) purposes), an examiner or member of the public would be required know it was necessary to search the remainder of the application for additional priority applications not shown in the "Related U.S. Application Data." section; thus nullifying the usefulness of this section in patent application publications. Moreover, since the only listed priority application in the "Related U.S. Application Data" section is not the earliest filed application, its exclusive presence there gives a false impression that this is application represents the earliest claim to priority for the present application.

Applicants also note that there are two typographical errors in the published claims of the present application. In particular, published <u>claim 1, part (g)</u> recites, in part, "SEQ ID NO:X" this should, however, recite, "SEQ ID NO:X." And, <u>claim 11</u> recites, in part, "comprising an arnino acid" where the claim should "**comprising an amino acid**."

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that a corrected publication of the above-listed application be made pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.221(b).

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Respectfully submitted,

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